

# New Superintendent of Putnamville Correctional Facility Named

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Commissioner J. David Donahue

Indianapolis, Indiana - (May 16, 2007) - J. David Donahue, Commissioner of the Department of Correction has appointed Mr. Michael J. Osburn, as the new Superintendent of the Putnamville Correctional Facility effective May 27, 2007.

"Mr. Osburn brings a wide range of professional and military experience and achievements to the Indiana Department of Correction," said J. David Donahue. "His leadership skills and strong work ethic will serve the facility well."

Osburn has served the Department since 1992, and has made tremendous strides throughout the years. His correctional roles include Staff Supervisor, Custody Supervisor, Facility Staff Development Coordinator and Correctional Major. Mr. Osburn served as the first Special Operations Response Team (SERT) Commander for three years.

Most recently, Mr. Osburn served as Assistant Superintendent at Miami Correctional Facility. In this role, he managed the daily operations of the medium security facility, located in Miami County.

Mr. Osburn follows Al Parke, newly appointed Southern Regional Director for the Department, who managed the facility from 1999-2007.

"Mr. Osburn is a natural fit for this role. I have the utmost confidence that he will excel in his new capacity as well as enhance facility management standards," added Donahue.

"I am honored to accept this position. I look forward to the challenge and serving as a part of the Department's leadership team," said Mr. Osburn.

In addition to Osburn's correctional experience, he has also served in the military as Commander, Battalion Commander, and currently serves as the Colonel of the 81st Troop Command.

Mr. Osburn holds a Master's of Science in Management Degree and a Bachelor's of Science in Human Resource Management from Oakland City University.

The Putnamville Correctional Facility, which opened in 1914, is located in western Indiana. The medium security facility houses 2,400 male offenders. Putnamville Correctional Facility continues to make strides as well as maintain itself as an agricultural corrections model.

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